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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Kiyotaka Tsukada et al.  
Application No. : 09/740,424  
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Title : PRINTED-CIRCUIT BOARD AND METHOD  
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 11, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**In the Specification:**

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b)(1)(ii), the following is a clean version of the replacement paragraphs of the specification. A marked-up version of the replacement paragraphs of the specification in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b)(1)(iii) is enclosed herewith.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 3, with the following rewritten paragraph: